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EDITORIALS†

MEDICAL PREPAREDNESS: FOR ARMED FORCES AND CIVILIAN ACTIVITIES

Rôle of Physicians in Medical Preparedness.

—By this time, it should be apparent to all phy-
sicians that the medical profession of the United
States will be called on for little less than an
heroic contribution to the welfare of our Country
and for the perpetuation of the principles that
brought it into being; which fidelity to principles
has enabled it, in the years since 1776, to acquire
first place among the commonwealths of civil-
ized nations and democracies.

In World War I, the record of the medical pro-
fession was one not only of exceptional value,
but, it may be permissible to add, of splendid effi-
ciency and superior merit. When all things are
considered, it may be stated that in that great
War, no other single branch of the armed forces
excelled it in worth while accomplishment. Also,
let it be remembered that, in proportion to the
number of men enrolled and attached to the Medi-
cal Corps, the casualties suffered by its members
were higher than in any other single branch of the
services.

* * *

Medical Profession Again Called on in Pres- ent Emergencies.

—Now again, after little more
than a brief twenty-year span, doctors of medi-
cine must be prepared to make the supreme sacri-
fice. In a certain sense, this call to a new service
is little different than many similar experiences
that come to physicians as they are required to
combat dangerous diseases and conditions in civil
practice. There is nothing, in fact, unusual in
this, because, as disciples of the healing art, from
time immemorial physicians always have been
willing to jeopardize their own lives in the prac-
tice of their profession, when conditions so in-
dicated.

* * *

Medical Profession will be Called on for Massive Service.

—However, in this new World
War that has been thrust upon the United States,
in particular, by the Japanese attacks of Decem-
ber 7, 1941, the medical profession will be called

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est, contributed by members of the California Medical
Association, are printed in the Editorial Comment column
which follows.